

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-12, 22 and 24, 29, without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

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30. (New) A method of manufacturing a golf club head, comprising:  
casting a body of a titanium alloy, the body having a crown, a skirt and a sole  
defining a front opening, the crown having a substantially constant thickness of less than 0.8  
mm, and the sole having a thickness of less than 1.0 mm;  
providing a weight member of between 15 grams to 25 grams on the sole of the  
body;  
forming a striking plate having a hardness of at least 30 HRC and a percent  
elongation of about 7%, the striking plate having a density of less than 5 g/cc; and  
welding the striking plate to the front opening of the body, wherein the golf  
club head has a volume of at least 300 cc.
31. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the golf club head has a  
volume of at least 400 cc.
32. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the striking plate has a height  
of at least 45 mm.
33. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein the striking plate is formed  
having a thickness along its periphery that is at least 0.5 mm less than the thickness at the  
striking plate's geometric center.
34. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein providing the weight member  
is performed as part of casting the body, such that the weight member is integral with the sole  
of the body.

35. (New) The method of claim 30, wherein providing the weight member is performed separately from casting the body and includes attaching the weight member to the sole of the body.

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